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UNO funding issue is 'not over'

By GREG KOZOL

UNO may still receive more state funding than originally suggested in budget proposals by Gov. Ben Nelson and the Legislature's Appropriations Committee, State Sen. Brad Ashford said.

Ashford, an Omaha senator and appropriations committee member, said he is looking at ways to increase the amount of funding UNO would receive in the University of Nebraska's 1991-93 budget.

The appropriations committee proposed \$275 million for the NU system in 1991-92, a 0.8 percent increase from the current NU budget. Nelson proposed \$278 million in 1991-92 while the university requested \$308 million.

The appropriations committee's proposal, considered too low by NU administrators, can still be revived before the final budget is approved by the Legislature later this spring, Ashford said.

"The UNO funding issue is not over," Ashford said. "There is a long way to go. The

preliminary budget is only a starting point."

Ashford said because UNO does not have access to many of the federal research grants the University of Nebraska-Lincoln (UNL) and University of Nebraska Medical Center receive, the Legislature may have to re-allocate more money to UNO.

That re-allocation would come from within the NU budget or from the general state budget, he said.

Sen. Dan Lynch of Omaha said UNO will needmore money in order to meet salary increase its faculty union has already agreed on.

"We're hoping to get 85 to 90 percent of that (the salary increase)," Lynch said. "We won't get 100 percent."

Sen. Scott Moore, chairman of the appropriations committee, declined to comment on any changes to the NU budget because he has not seen a specific proposal from Ashford or any other senator.

However, both he and Ashford agreed that directing more money from the NU budget toward UNO, probably at the expense of UNL,

would be a hot topic.

"Many people accuse UNL of getting more than their fair share of the pot," Moore said.

Said Ashford, "That's always a problem politically. There is no secret plan, other than to make sure UNO gets its fair allocation."

Regent Rosemary Skrupa of Omaha said once the budget is approved by the Legislature and signed by the governor, the regents are legally free to allocate funds wherever they want within the NU system. However, she said, the regents should follow the recommendations of the Legislature.

"I think it would be very wise for the Board of Regents to listen to the concerns of the Legislature," Skrupa said. "We need to stop confrontational politics (between the regents and the Legislature) and start hand shaking."

Meanwhile, Ashford said he and other Omaha senators will continue to press for more funding for UNO.

"There are 14 members (senators from the Omaha area)," Ashford said. "UNO is a very important priority for all of us."



A support the troops rally at noon Saturday in Memorial Park. For more on the aftermath of the war, see the focus on pages 6-7.

No Valgora impeachment by senate

By PATRICK RUNGE

There was sound and fury, but in the end, it signified nothing.

The Student Senate took no action against President/Regent Chuck Valgora at its March 7 meeting. The conflict arose over a proposed "moratorium" against more stringent academic standards for the College of Business Administration (CBA).

At its Feb. 14 meeting, the senate resolved to have Valgora bring the moratorium proposal, delaying implementation of the new standards, to the University of Nebraska Board of Regents. However, Valgora instead introduced a "grandfather clause" allowing CBA students to graduate as long as their current grade point average (GPA) is above 2.25.

The original proposal required CBA students to have a current GPA of 2.5.

Mike McLaurin, director of the Council for Community and Legislative Relations (CCLR)

said there was not a majority of senators opposing Valgora's actions.

"It's a minority of seven," he said. Included in the minority were Sens. Mary Reynolds and Danielle Jensen, McLaurin said.

Sen. Mary Hoppe agreed.

"Most of the senate agrees with what he did," she said. "We have to trust those we elect."

Hoppe said Valgora used his discretion at the Feb. 16 regents meeting.

"From his explanation, I think he did what he thought was best at the time," she said. "He was there, he knew the atmosphere and he used his best judgement."

Sen. GeoAnna McCarl also said she supported Valgora's actions.

"He should have leeway to use his own judgement," she said. "If they (the regents) laughed at him, there is nothing he could do."

McCarl also said the senate could act to check Valgora's actions in the future.

"If he messed up this time, he'll mess up

again and we can get him then," she said. "At this point, no one wants to make a big deal about it."

Not all the senators were pleased with Valgora's explanation, however.

"I'm disappointed he didn't at least take the message to the regents," Jensen said.

Reynolds agreed, saying "Fourteen people approved of the moratorium. That leaves myself and 13 other people upset he didn't bring it

When asked her reaction to Valgora's statement that he did bring up the moratorium but was "laughed at," Reynolds said she was not present at the regents meeting.

"I wasn't there, I don't know," she said. "I depend on the *Gateway* for coverage of meetings. If he did bring it up, there is a problem in reporting.

"If he did bring it up, I'm way off base in questioning his performance as president/regent," Reynolds said.

National Briefs

String of murders prompts campuses to ask questions of safety, security

(CPS) - Violence struck the University of Texas-Arlington (UTA) Feb. 27, adding to an already extraordinarily violent term on campuses nationwide. A UTA basketball player was arrested in the attempted murder of a teammate.

While the teammate is recovering, four students have been murdered on various campuses during the winter term.

Even veteran crime observers are not sure if campuses are getting more dangerous or if college crime is simply being reported to the public more.

"It's hard to say whether violent campus crime is increasing,"

said Jan Sherrill, director of the Campus Violence Prevention Center, headquartered at Towson State University in Maryland.

He suspects there may be more crime on campuses, because there is more crime in society at large.

"If the general society is a barometer for campus society, we should expect an increase in campus crime," he said.

Expected or not, the recent crimes have been both dramatic and brutal.

On Feb. 17, Yale University sophomore Christian Haley Prince was shot in the chest during a robbery attempt one block from the home of Yale President Benno Schmidt.

Indiana State University student Brian Hogue was shot Feb. 3 in a popular student tavern near the Terre Haute campus. A fellow student, Mark Nicholson, has been charged in the inci-

On Jan. 14, Ball State University student Velvet Day died after being shot in the off-campus house where she lived. Her boyfriend, Robert Edwards, also a Ball State student, was arrested in the incident.

The same day, Marquette University Mario Gonzalez was shot outside the Sigma Phi Delta fratemity house.

At UTA, Titus Howard, 19, was arraigned on charges of attempting to kill teammate Glover Cody in a fight about Howard's sister.

During the 1989-90 school year, Sherrill said, 22 college students were murdered. That figure includes 14 Montreal students killed in a hail of automatic fire by a gunman in one

At least 11 students have been murdered in separate incidents so far during the 1990-91 school year.

But Sherrill, for one, is unsure if the tragedies constitute a crime wave.

He said a new federal law requiring schools to report crimes more publicly and the slayings of five college students within three days last August in Gainesville, Fla., have made students feel more vulnerable to crime.

That such crimes happen on supposedly idyllic college campuses make them even more intriguing.

"Somehow," Sherrill said, "campus crime catches the imagination of the public. People like to think that campuses are the last bastion of peace."

Grambling disciplines students who attacked a white speaker

(CPS) — Grambling State University (GSU) will discipline two students who assaulted University of Southeastern Louisiana (USL) Student President John Morgan, a white student who had come to deliver a speech called "Eyes Wide Open and Color Blind," at GSU Feb. 1.

The two students, later identified as Walter Davis and Steve Ferguson, stormed the stage just as Morgan, who had been invited to the campus by GSU student President Patrick Patrong, was preparing to start his speech.

"That's not the type of behavior we are going to accept at Grambling State," GSU Vice President for Student Affairs Joseph Morale told the USL Vermillion.



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Local Briefs

UNO professor presents award

Dr. Lewis Thomas of the New York Hospital-Cornell Medical Center, earned the Lifetime Loren Eiseley Award.

UNO's Dean of Fine Arts, David Shrader, presented the award to Thomas Dec. 18, 1990. Shrader nominated Thomas for the honorary

The award is given to the person who best exemplifies the balance between the sciences and humanities that was personified by the late Loren Eiseley, who was a scientist, essayist and humanist.

The prize is sponsored by the Humanities Emphasis Workgroup of the Educational Advisory Board of Bishop Clarkson Hospital in Omaha.

In his nomination letter, Shrader said, "Collections of Dr. Thomas's essays have established him as one of the few writers of this century who have been able to provide a synthesis of the sciences, arts and philosophy in a format that is approachable by a very wide variety of readers."

Thomas is known for his contributions to the biology of immune response, including his original concept that one of the major functions of the immune system is to patrol the body for malignant cells and destroy them.

Keeping the English department going

Joan Bell, coordinator of the English department, has been named UNO's Employee of the Month.

Bell was chosen to receive the honor on the basis of several nominations submitted by her

All of the nominators wrote about Bell's



Dean of Fine Arts David Schrader (right) presents the Lifetime Loren Eiseley award to Dr. Lewis Thomas (middle) of Cornell Medical Center.

willingness to do whatever it takes to get the job done.

One co-worker seemed to sum up all of the nominators' thoughts and wrote, "As far as the English department is concerned, Joan is the employee of the month every day of the year."

She will receive an Employee of the Month pin and a gift certificate. She will be honored by the University of Nebraska Board of Regents during the March meeting Saturday.

Fencing tournament comes to UNO

Enjoy watching some of the Midwest's finest players in the sport of fencing at the Omaha Challenge, March 23 and 24 in UNO's HPER Building.

The Omaha Challenge will be the most prestigious tournament held in Nebraska this year and is expected to receive national attention in the sport of fencing.

The tournament is co-hosted by the UNO Fencing Club and the Omaha Fencing Club. About 80 fencers from 10 Midwestern states

1992 will be the 100th anniversary of organized fencing in Nebraska. While not receiving as much attention as Big Red football, Nebraska has produced a number of fencers who have successfully competed on national and international levels.

Communicate better with non-native **English speakers**

If you have trouble communicating with non-native speakers of the English language, then sign up for a seminar to learn better ways to communicate.

"Using English as a Global Language," will be held March 28 from 8 a.m. until noon at UNO's Peter Kiewit Conference Center, 1313 Farnam St.

The seminar is sponsored by UNO's College of Continuing Studies.

Sally Ware, a program coordinator for UNO's Program for International Professional Development, will lead the session.

For more information or to register, call the College of Continuing Studies at 595-2308.

Tour to see Twin Cities architecture

UNO art professors Monica Kralik and Henry Serenco will lead a tour, May 31-June 1 of Minneapolis/St. Paul, Minn., focusing on the art and architecture of those cities.

The bus tour, sponsored by UNO's College of Continuing Studies, will leave Omaha on May 31.

While in the Twin Cities, the itinerary includes visits to the Minneapolis Institute of Art, the Walker Art Center and a performance of the St. Paul Chamber Orchestra.

The cost of the tour, which includes chartered bus transportation, hotel accommodations (double occupancy) and all museum and performance admissions, is \$374. Reservations must be made by April 19.

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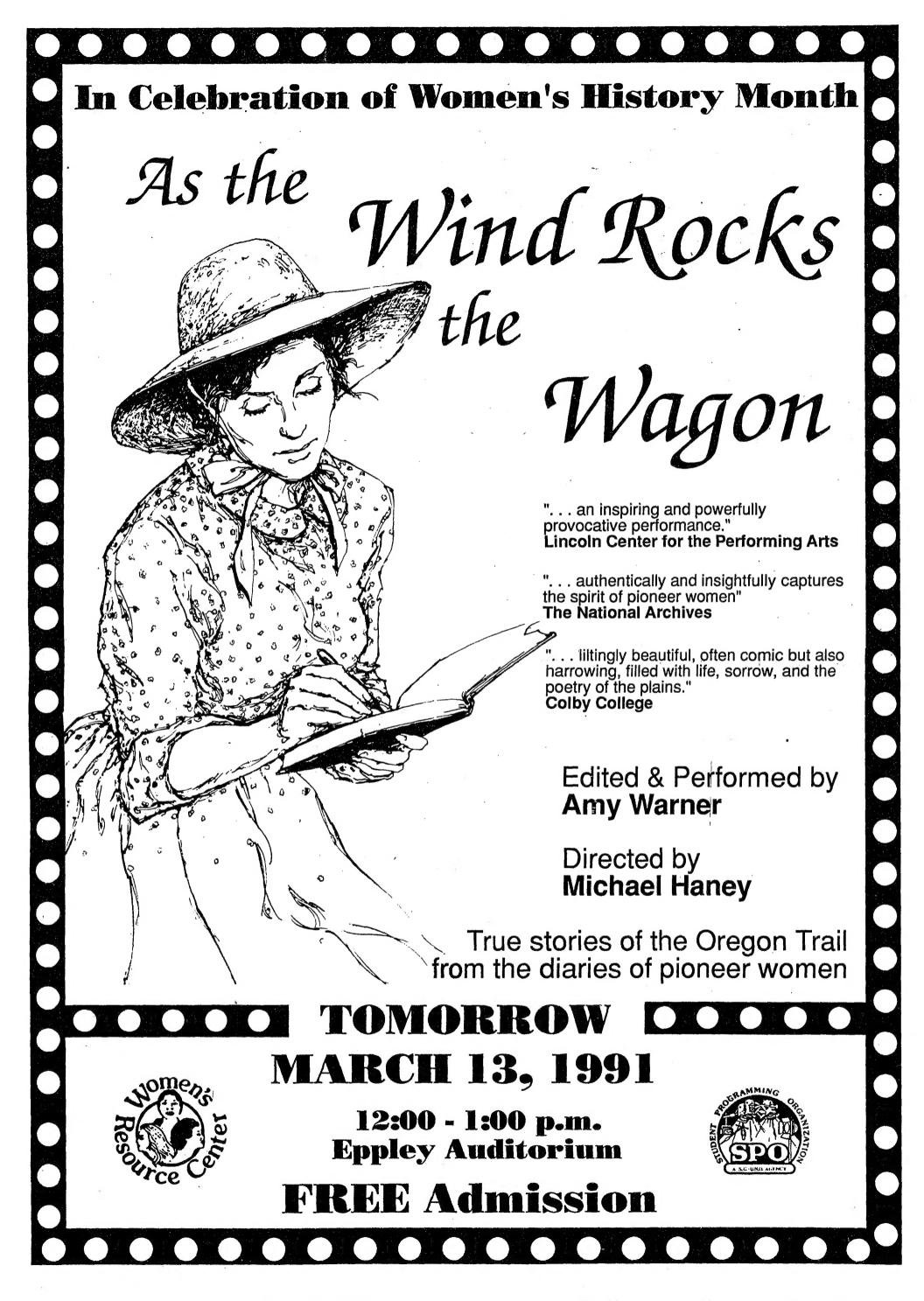












Med Pulse

Bleeding at the Health Fair 'a great health buy'

By D.J. STILES

The Ninth Annual Health Fair of the Midlands is scheduled to begin this Saturday and continue through March 24.

"The best way to describe the Health Fair is that it is a series of health fairs," said the fair's executive director, Kathryn

Byrnes said this series of events will be offered at 28 different sites across Nebraska and Western Iowa during the nine-day

Each site is offering blood pressure testing, height and weight and visual acuity, according to Byrnes, but only particular sites will offer specialized screenings and other unique testing, for a fee.

"A blood draw is one of the options available for a fee," she said. "It is an actual blood draw, not a finger stick."

According to Byrnes, included with the blood draw is a full break down of what is found in a participants blood sample.

Some of the conditions found in the list include calcium, glucose, sodium and even cholesterol amounts.

The break down also marks the normal range of these and more than 30 other conditions and places the participants level on a scale showing whether their specimen places low, normal or high in different areas.

Byrnes said the list of results will be mailed directly to the participant two weeks after the event, which also includes an explanation for each and every result listed.

"We like to promote that (the blood draw) as one of the best health buys around," Byrnes said. "Generally you couldn't go to a doctor's office and get a blood draw for \$20, usually it's a lot more."

The Health Fair is made up of different stations where participants can pick and choose from a variety of health screenings and information centers.

Byrnes said some of the stations, such as the pharmacy review, fat screening and hearing test are staffed by students from the University of Nebraska Medical Center and Creighton University along with qualified professionals who oversee each

"It is a chance for the students to do community work and get some learning experience," she said. "It's also good for the professionals to get referrals and for the people to get information."

Byrnes said the students can actually do the testing, but the professional must interpret the results of the tests.

"The students generally accompany the professional," she said. "They are usually advanced students, juniors or seniors."

Byrnes said the Health Fair has also added something new to its agenda this year.

The Nebraska Dermatology Nurses have in years past handed out sun screen samples, but Byrnes said, this year the group will offer, at three different locations, a new machine in which a or even a life threatening disease?



Just a little stick, it won't hurt a bit. Honest. Blood studies are one of the many services available at the Health Fair of the Midlands beginning this Saturday.

participant can put his/her face into and it will tell you where the different areas of sun damage are.

She said a screen shows exactly where the damage is and to what extent the damage is in that area.

Byrnes said the best thing about the Health Fair of the Midlands is the all volunteer work force.

"We have over 2,500 volunteers this year, including lay people and professionals," she said. "I think that is the most encouraging and interesting thing about the whole event."

Byrnes stressed the idea that the basis of the fair is that it is only a screening, not a diagnosis.

"That's what we're all about," she said.

What if someone is found to have a possible serious condition

"If something is found at the critical level, we contact that person immediately and they go to their physician right away," Byrnes said.

According to Byrnes, one of the tests in recent years involved a 37-year-old participant who was found to have the precursor of leukemia.

She said in the follow-up process of the fair the participant, Bob Stevens, was notified of the possible condition and upon his checkup with a physician, it was found that he did in fact have leukemia.

"He has been in remission now for five years," Byrnes said. "He credits us with helping to save his life."

Byrnes expects about 7,000 to 8,000 people to participate in the Health Fair this year.

Jungnickel calls Sudafed poisoner 'deranged'

By D.J. STILES

Two people have died and several others have experienced seriously ill effects due to a recent cyanide contamination of Sudafed cold

Olympia and Tacoma, Wash. have so far been the only confirmed areas affected, but there has also been a new investigation opened in Hawaii to determine if a similar contamination is related.

According to Paul Jungnickel, assistant professor of pharmacology at the University of Nebraska Medical Center, it is very difficult to tamper with capsules.

"It would be easier to tamper with cough syrup," he said.

Jungnickel said the Sudafed capsules involved in the contamination have a protective seal not only around the middle of the capsule, but are also protected by their packaging, called a blister pack.

"The only way to open them is to push them through the foil," he said, "Whoever did this used a sophisticated tampering device. This person must be fairly mentally deranged."

Jungnickel believes the cyanide used was probably in powder form, which would mix easier with the 12 hour time-release beads in the



- RAGENIA WRIGHT

On the racks, but for how long? "The manufacturer instantly responded by ordering a total recall of the product," said Paul Jungnickel, professor of pharmacology at the University of Nebraska Medical Center.

Sudafed capsules.

According to Jungnickel, the trauma experienced when infected with cyanide is somewhat prolonged and very painful.

"First you experience hyperventilation, along with a headache, dizziness and nausea," Jungnickel said. "Then comes drowsiness, your blood pressure drops and it becomes very difficult to breathe. Ultimately the result is convulsions or coma. It is a true medical emergency."

Jungnickel said there are fairly specific an-

tidotes such as amyl nitrite and sodium thiosul-

He said the antidotes can be used at different stages of the infection, which will basically alter the metabolism of cyanide so that it won't do the damage it normally does.

Although these antidotes can be used to combat a cyanide contamination there can also be some permanent and severe effects, according to Jungnickel.

"The patient can receive some residual

neurological damage or mental impairment," he said. "And in some cases, a recurring seizure can be with them for life."

Jungnickel said for such a potentially dangerous drug, it is quite easy for someone to get their hands on it. "Cyanide is used in fumigation, silver pol-

ishes and in a large number of different plants," Sudafed, manufactured by the Burroughs-

Wellcome Pharmaceutical Company of North Carolina, reacted with the typical response of any manufacturer, Jungnickel said.

The manufacturer instantly responded by ordering a total recall of the product with no Federal Drug Administration intervention," he

Some groups have even called for the total banishment of over the counter capsules, Jungnickel said.

"I wouldn't see capsules out soon," he said, "or total discontinuation of over the counter capsules."

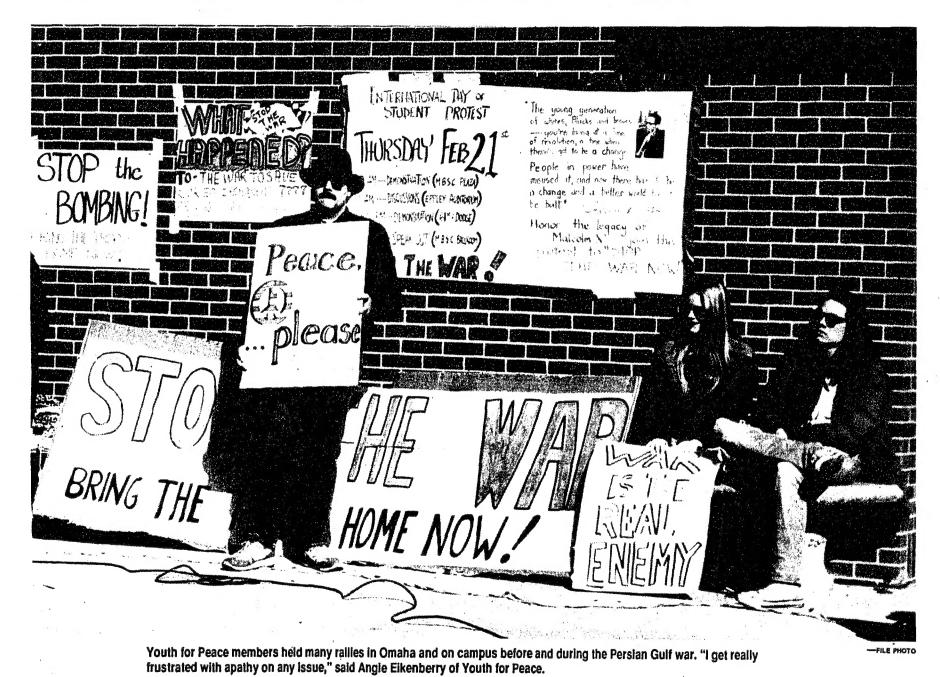
Jungnickel said it would probably take legislation to discontinue over the counter capsule

"I would see more manufacturers moving away from capsules," he said. "I would also see some companies developing new ways of

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Although the war is over, anti-war protesters say there are still important issues to tackle at home



Youth for Peace: other issues besides war

By Jennifer Westcott

Now that the war is over and troops are starting to come home, many people are wondering what the people involved in the peace movement will do to fill their time.

Tim Alexander, a member of Youth for Peace, said members are still concerned and will just focus their attention to other issues.

"It really isn't over as far as Youth for Peace is concerned," he said.

According to Alexander, other important items on the group's agenda were moved back to make the Persian Gulf war the number one priority. It only seemed Youth for Peace was interested only in the war, he said.

Angie Eikenberry, another member of the organization, agreed there is still work to be done.

"First of all, it's not over. There are still troops over there and still blockades up. There are issues to be faced before I would say it was over," she said.

Even so, Youth for Peace plans to begin focusing more on such issues as sexual harassment, racism, apartheid, homeless over there," she said. "Sometimes there are so many things to do,

people, U.S. foreign policy, the environment and student financial aid cuts. The aforementioned issues have been tackled by Youth for Peace before the Persian Gulf war became their top priority.

Alexander said Youth for Peace is planning to build a home for the homeless on March 25 and invites anyone interested to attend.

While this project is being done with the help of Habitat for Humanity, Alexander said, the group has also worked closely with Amnesty International and will continue to do so.

"We are big supporters of Amnesty International. I wish the government supported them as much as we do," he said.

Alexander is also interested in what he sees as incostistencies in U.S. foreign policy.

"I wish the (U.S. foreign) policy was consistent. Contradiction is just another word for hypocrisy," Alexander said. Eikenberry added there are still many things left to be done,

including dealing with racism.

"There were anti-Semitic groups against the war. Now there are anti-Arab feelings in this country and anti-American ones

I could just go crazy."

Among many other concerns, Alexander said he has concerns about the way Youth for Peace is perceived by others.

"I feel we are misunderstood," he said. "It is frustrating, because we try hard to keep our heads up, to keep moving forward."

He added many people do not realize what may be happening in far away countries does affect the entire world population. population.

Everyone identified with the war because nearly everyone knew someone fighting for it, he said.

"Every problem affects everyone. What affects one directly, affects someone else indirectly. We can't ignore the world-perspective," Alexander said.

Eikenberry said she feels it is important to make people care about what is going on around the world.

"I get really frustrated with apathy on any issue," Eikenberry added.

Youth for Peace will hold a public press conference either tomorrow or Thursday to discuss future plans, Alexander said.



Anti-war protests could be found at campuses across the country. "Are we going to become Rent-a-Cop of the whole world?" asked Bonnie Garvin, an anti-war protest organizer.

Anti-war activists vow to press other issues

Cease fire brings mix of worry, wonder, 'need to keep our guard up'

(CPS) — Even when President Bush announced a provisional cease-fire in the Persian Gulf Feb. 27, it was not the end of the war for Maurice Peret.

"We need to keep our guard up" in case the administration is planning further military action, warned Peret, whose Washington, D.C.-based National Student and Youth Campaign for Peace in the Middle East helped stage some of the bigger anti-war demonstrations of the past seven months.

"Are we going to become the Rent-a-Cop to the whole world?" added Bonnie Garvin, another anti-war organizer who in January saw the war's main issue as asking people to die for oil, not as one of America's willingness to become a mercenary force.

While much of the nation exhales in relief that the war is over and exults in the removal of Saddam Hussein as a major threat to his neighbors, leaders of the campus anti-war movement seem consumed by doubt, worry and wonder about what might happen next.

Some are not even willing to believe the

"My impression," Peret conceded as Iraqi generals were agreeing to meet allied generals to discuss the return of prisoners, "is the war does seem to be drawing down."

In the aftermath, anti-war activists say they want to address new, but related issues.

"We will be looking at the questions that are left unsolved" including the number of casualties suffered by both sides and how long U.S. troops remain in the Middle East, Peret said.

"If you think it's over, you don't know when it started," said Caryl Sortwell, an anti-war activist at the University of Illinois at Chicago.

Sortwell says she and other protesters will call for a settlement to the Palestinian and Israeli conflict and address the economic impact of the war at home.

Arrests

Most of all, it will be important to keep students active and involved, Sortwell said.

"If we don't consolidate people who came out (to protest) this war, then we are losers," Sortwell said.

The numbers of people who did protest tended to vary widely since Iraqi troops invaded Kuwait on Aug. 2.

At first, observers wondered if students would respond at all to the situation as campuses remained quiet even after U.S. troops were sent to Saudi Arabia on Aug. 22.

But as more reserve units were called up, college students, faculty, staff and administrators among them, the anti-war movement gained speed.

The pace of anti-war activists and news analysts predicting a movement that would equal that of the Vietnam years, teach-ins, rallies and sit-ins unfolded on dozens of campuses nationwide.

When the bombing started Jan. 16, so did violence on many U.S. campuses, including the universities of Washington, Colorado at Boulder, New Mexico, Louisville and California at Santa Barbara and Davis, Ohio State, Willamette



- FILE PHOTO

Youth for Peace members tried to convince others to "give peace a chance" at pro-peace rallies. "I feel we are misunderstood. It is frustrating, because we try to keep our heads up, to keep moving forward," said Tim Alexander of Youth for Peace.

and Harvard universities, and Brad College.

Climax in Washington

Less visibly, students and faculty members on hundreds of campuses held smaller, peaceful rallies and teach-

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then we are losers."

- Caryl Sortwell

who came out (to

protest) this war,

ins.
Theworst that happened were shouting matches between anti-war demonstrators and war supporters who came to listen and who, in many cases, outnumbered the demonstrators.

Such scuffles erupted at campuses from Mankato State University to the

University of Vermont.

In fact, there may have never been widespread support for the anti-war movement.

ead support for the anti-war movement.

At Union College in New York, for instance,

a poll taken by the *Concordiensis*, the student newspaper, found 82 percent of students supported American involvement in the war.

Yet anti-war crowds and efforts continued to build in intensity, climaxing on Jan. 26, when an estimated 75,000 people congregated in Washington, D.C., to call for Bush to call U.S. troops

home.
It was the last big protest of the

war.
Some think the anti-war movementended earlier, when the bombing began on Jan. 16.

"After Jan. 16, opposition to the war was deemed illegitimate evermore," said Dale Hathaway, a political science professor at But-

professor at Butler University in Indiana.

Most recently, a national day of protests called by the National Student and Youth Campaign for Feb. 21 reportedly drew smaller crowds

than expected.

The war "wasn't sustained long enough for there to be massive amounts" of casualties, said Angel Lariscy of the Student Coaltion.

That fact limited the number of protesters, she said.

Now, as the U.S. emerges from the war victorious, many anti-war activists fear the U.S.'s success in the Persian Gulf war will encourage support for future wars.

"What's happened is people in the country feel very good about using our military might," explained Hathaway.

"Our military victory sort of proves to people that we must've been right," he added.

Meanwhile, some pro-war activists say they will not rest until the troops are home and Saddam Hussein has been convicted of war crimes.

"Hopefully we're not going to lose a lot of momentum," said Mai Spickelmier, president of the College Republicans at the University of Houston and a pro-war activist.

Spickelmier's group hopes to hold a support-the-troops rally and letter-writing campaign, she said.

But "interest is waning. People want to get back to normal lives," Spickelmier admitted.

Hoover proposes student fee increase

By Kim Coleman

With a Fund B increase of \$1.50, student fees for 1991-92 will increase to \$56.25 if approved by the University of Nebraska Board of Regents this April.

Richard Hoover, vice chancellor of Educational and Student Services, said the increases to the Fund B budget will mainly cover personnel expenses, rather than operating costs.

The minimum wage will increase to \$4.25 in April, a cost the entire university, including departments that pay salaries out of Fund B revenue, will have to pick up.

However, Hoover said departments that receive Fund B revenue decided to cut operating expenses because departments that receive state funding are also being asked to cut operating

Student fees are divided into Funds A and B. Fund A, \$7.50 per students, goes to Student Government, the Women's Resource Center, the Disabled Student Association, International Student Services, the Council for Community and Legislative Relations, American Multicultural Students, the Student Programming

Organization, and the Gateway.

Fund B, proposed at \$48.75 per student, funds Campus Recreation, the Student Center, varsity athletics, campus musical groups, and Student Health Services.

Of the Fund B budget, health services requested an increase of 29 percent.

Joe Davis, assistant vice chancellor of Educational and Student Services, said the money will cover an anticipated 4 percent salary increase and additional physician hours during the summer sessions.

Other expenses for health services include a newly installed blood analysis machine. Federal and state regulations require monthly inspections which cost about \$2,400 each year, Davis

Campus Recreation will receive \$14 from each student, a 50 cent increase from last year, for a total of \$480,525.

The increase in Fund B allocations will offset the rising personnel costs — a 4 percent salary increase and the minimum wage hike, said Joe Kaminski, associate coordinator of Campus

The Student Center will receive a Fund B allocation of \$479,941 to its overall budget of \$6 million. Although there was no request for the increase, a projected rise in student enrollment provided the 2.2 percent increase.

This will offset only a small portion of the anticipated 10 percent rise in personnel costs, said Guy Conway, director of the Student Center. Conway said 97 percent of the Student Center budget is generated through revenues from food services, the campus bookstore and the child care center.

Co-curricular activities, which includes varsity athletics, campus musical groups, and health services, will receive a \$1 increase from Fund B.

The Fund B allocation for men's athletics will increase from \$325,776 to \$333,279. Women's athletics will receive \$183,618, as opposed too \$178,133 last year.

Campus musical groups will receive \$24,700 \$21,500.

The Fund B proposal goes into effect if approved by UNO Chancellor Del Weber and the regents. Fund A must be approved by the Student Senate March 21, Weber, and then the regents before going into effect.

Graduate classes to be available in the West

BY KIM COLEMAN

The Nebraska Legislature's Education Committee will vote this week to bring Legislative Bill 132 before the full Legislature

LB 132 would institute a state commitment of \$250,000 in seed money to build the College Park Education Center.

The higher education facility is scheduled for construction in Grand Island and should be fully operational by the fall of 1992.

This (Grand Island) facility will provide state of the art lab equipment, computers and high-tech facilities for professionals and non-traditional students who wish to pursue continuing education courses," Sen. Arlene B. Nelson said. Many professions, such as dentistry, nursing, accounting and real estate require postsecondary course work to maintain a professional license.

Nelson said the Scottsbluff facility will be used primarily as a classroom area.

'Currently, a lengthy commute to Omaha, Lincoln or Kearney is the only option for students who want postsecondary education courses and state of the art facilities. We have nothing out here and we can't get businesses to come to Grand Island or Scottsbluff without higher education facilities," Nelson said.

The College Park Education Center will cost \$4.6 million to construct. Nelson said half of the money has been raised through private contributions from area businesses. The other half must come from a financial institution to guarantee payment of the construction until the rest of the money is collected.

The Scottsbluff community has already donated a building to be converted to a learning center, which should be available by the fall of 1991, Nelson said.

"If we can't get the seed money from the state to show a firm

commitment to follow through, then we must refund the \$2 million already committed," Nelson said. "Who will donate the next time we ask if we've refunded their initial contributions?"

Nelson said a yearly contribution of \$600,000 must also come from the county to pay for the utilities and maintenance of the facility. Other operational expenses are budgeted from the collection of normal student fees and tuition.

Sen. Ron Withem is opposed to LB 132. "I don't think the Legislature should pass this bill until after the coordinating commission is up and running in January (1992). It has always been my opinion that the Legislature ought not to make these type of decisions anyway."

If LB 132 is turned down in committee next week, or by the full Legislature at a later date, local citizens of Grand Island and Scottsbluff must bring forth a proposal to the commission before the plan could be re-evaluated.



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Opinion

We're stuck with Chuck

Chuck Valgora, UNO's student president/regent, has apparently dodged the Student Government impeachment bullet.

In the March 5 Gateway, Student Sen. Adele Johnson said Valgora would be impeached "at some point" in his term.

However, at Thursday's student senate meeting, no charges were brought up against Valgora.

Mike McLaurin, director of the Council for Community and Legislative Relations, said those supporting an impeachment of

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Valgora are in the minority.

For now, we believe the majority is correct.

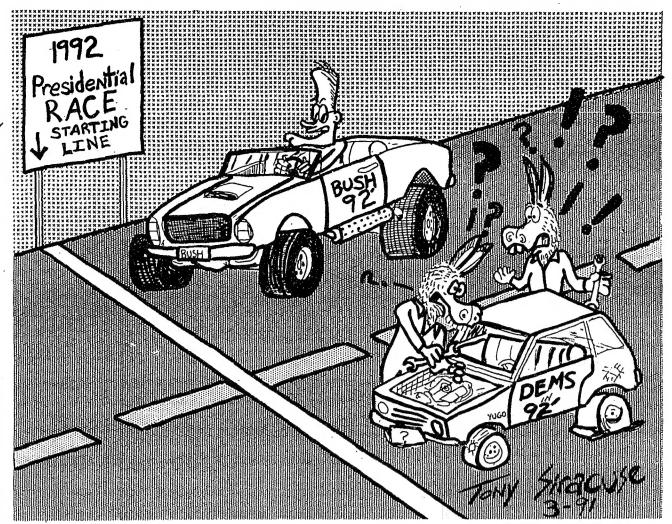
Valgora originally got into hot water when he failed to request to the Board of Regents a moratorium on increased admissions standards in the College of Business Administration (CBA). The moratorium was requested at an earlier student senate meeting.

Instead, Valgora attempted to insert a "grandfather clause" to delay the implementation of some new CBA standards on current students.

Considering the circumstances, Valgora did what was right. It seems the regents, although they will listen to and respect the point of view of a student, will not be swayed by that student opinion. Think about it this way, the Gateway, through its editorials and columns, has been offering "student" advice to the regents for years.

Although the regents probably read our advice, they rarely heed our advice.

Valgora knew the regents weren't going to approve the



a realist instead of an idealist.

He requested the grandfather clause. It wasn't the senate's request, but it has a lot better chance of being ratified at this month's meeting, and therefore helping the majority of students.

Those who criticized Valgora have a right to their opinion and moratorium. So he made a wise political move — he acted like they deserve to have that opinion printed in the Gateway.

However, those who criticized Valgora for his actions at the regents meeting don't seem to understand the realities of being a student/regent.

Let's hope none of them ever get a first-hand opportunity to

Columnist not 'hooked on' AM talk shows

There are certain things that should be banned from this life. High on the list are fat people playing sand volleyball, cars which go less than 30 miles per hour on the interstate, and AM radio.

Now, I don't normally listen to AM radio, but while my car was being fixed a few months ago, I found myself driving one of those "complimentary" rental jobs.

The body shop gave me a Dodge Aries. Those of you who have ever driven one of these beauties know that it isn't heralded as one of the nation's top performance sports cars.

Even worse — it only had an AM radio.

So, while driving around Omaha late at night, I had the radio tuned into some late-night talk shows.

Basically, these talk shows consist of crabby, elderly people calling in and complaining about how crabby or how elderly they

"Hi, You're on."

"Yes."

"Yes, ma'am. You're on the air."

"Hello?"

"Hello, you're on the air."

"I'm sorry. I'm old. I can't hear you."

"Well, go ahead."

"No. That's it. Good bye."

These are probably the same people who write down those "How's my driving?" phone numbers on the backs of trucks, call in and give really bad reviews.

Then you have the shock-talkers. These talk-show hosts assault, insult and make fun of anyone who calls them.

"Hi. You're on the Rust Lintball show."

"Yes. Rust, I think peace is good."

Dave Dufek **Columnist**



"What's your point, you long-haired, dope-smoking, maggot-infested liberal?"

"Well, I just wanted to say that."

"Do you know how much my air time runs per minute?"

"Uh, no."

"Could you possibly think that anyone in their right mind would care about your opinion. And to try and debate me -- HA you should've known better. Next caller."

Or there's the Arsenio Hall-type:

"Hi, I think peace is good."

"Well, I certainly agree. Next caller."

"I think war is good."

"You've certainly got a point there. Next."

"You're a geek."

"I can see where you're coming from. Next."

These guys will agree with anything for a ratings point. The commercials really put the biting edge on these programs, though. Once, I was listening, and an advertisement for a remarkable product came on.

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offenders being Gold Bond Medicated Powder - cures "male I have two questions: One, is "male itch" what I think it is?

And two, if it is, can you talk about it on the radio?

My advice to those trapped in a car with only an "AMjammer":

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The *Gateway*:

If you can read this, you're too close.

Something Special

Special Olympics gives kids a sporting chance

By Heidi Jeanne Hess

"Mom, I got the ball in the hoop, I did it - I really did it," said one jubilant member of the Papillion/LaVista Special Olympics basketball team.

The Area Six Special Olympics Basketball Meet was held at the Health Physical Education and Recreation (HPER) building at UNO on Saturday.

Joe Kaminski, coordinator of activities for HPER, said UNO has acted as the host site for the Special Olympics basketball tournament for the past nine years.

According to Judy Novotny, area director for the Special Olympics, the tournament was a success. She added the event would not have happened without the help of UNO.

"If we didn't have UNO, we wouldn't have it, and if we didn'thavehim (Kaminski), we wouldn't have had it," Novotny

According to Kaminski, "You just have to look at the kids' faces to know it was a success." Kaminski said 17 teams competed in the games on Satur-

day. Eight-year-old A.J. Vega, who is a member of the Omaha

School District's Grizzly Bear team, participated in the individual skills which included shooting baskets, dribbling and other basketball skills.

In the dribbling competition, Vega said for his first try he bounced the ball 30 times and for the second try he "got 34."



Carrie Gottsch holds Chuck Satterfield during the Area Six Special Olympics Bastketball Meet, held at the Health, Physical Education and Recreation building at UNO.

"I'm gonna try for 69," he said.

Joyce Valadez, Vega's mother, said the Special Olympics is "really nice for them." She said it is one of the only things special education kids get to do in sports,

Valadez said her son goes to regular classes at Highland

Elementary, but attends special gym classes because he is physically handicapped.

K.C. Andersen, 15, won second place for 12-15-year-old basketball skills according to his mother, Kathy Andersen.

K.C., who said he was excited to win, quickly moved to the more important things of the day — "What's for lunch, Mom?"

Norman Menrad, a member of the Omaha Public Schools Alumni team said his team lost its first game. He was confident they would win the second game. "I've been through this before."

Novotny said the Special Olympics is important to those who participate in it while giving them the experience to advance and develop social and athletic skills.

The state competition for the Special Olympics will be held May 22 through May 25 at Creighton University. Novotny said area-level competition advances to the state-level games.

According to Novotny, a variety of sporting events will take place at the May competition, including athletics, aquatics, bowling, basketball, gymnastics, soccer and rollerskating.

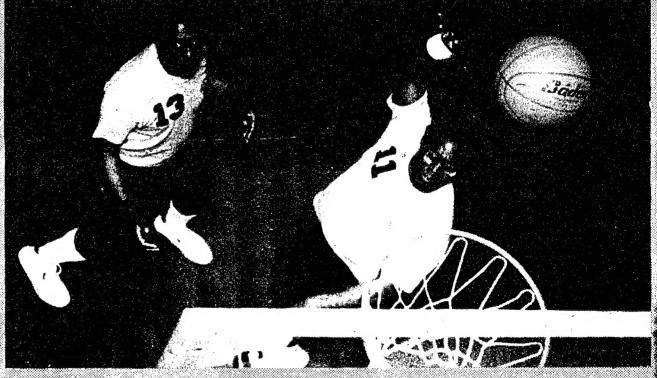
Kaminski said UNO students, some faculty and staff help with the Special Olympics.

Mike Fingerline, of Sigma Phi Epsilon fraternity said, "We're helping out coaching the kids and giving them encouragement'

According to Fingerline, his fraternity and the Alpha Xi Delta sorority helped run the event.



Kent Melsinger (left), at the Special Olympics Basketball Meet held Saturday. Kent lost the match he played in.



"You just have to look at the faces to know it was a success," said Joe Kaminski, coordinator of activities for Health, Physical Education and Recreation.

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Letters to the Editor

'Legal abortion is safest surgery today'

This letter is written as a disclaimer to all people who might otherwise fall victim to the increasingly pervasive and odious use of emotional misrepresentation by groups such as Students for

In their last attempt to confuse (or annoy) readers, Students for Life sponsored an ad in the Gateway offering to "help" women who have been "injured by legal abortion."

I guess that means they won't help women who have been injured by pregnancy and childbirth (which is at least 15 to 30 times more likely) or help women who are injured by illegal abortion (to which more women will resort if anti-choice groups have their way).

These people would like readers to remain ignorant to the fact that LEGAL abortion — performed by doctors in clean, licensed facilities — is the safest surgery today. In fact, no one has died as a direct result of a legal abortion in Nebraska since 1973, when abortion became a legal alternative. Maybe the lives of BORN people are not as much of a concern to these groups.

As is evident by their violent activities during frequent trespassing ventures, these dangerous anti-choice supporters obviously feel their desired end justifies any illegal and unethical behavior — for they have freely admitted that, by "following God's law," they are justified in violating the rights of others while blatantly ignoring and bypassing our legal system. With each incident, they merely thumb their noses at our horror.

Their latest advertisement scheme is just one more example of this shady policy of furthering their anti-choice agenda at any

Students for Choice, in addition to other feminist and human rights groups, would be the first to argue that women have historically been denied many things: especially adequate emotional, legal and financial support for ALL possible reproductive decisions. The irony is that anti-choice groups are only interested in forcing others to carry unwanted pregnancies to term with no desire or ability to take any further responsibility if they are successful.

If they can locate women (through their latest ad) who are uncertain about the decisions they have made, they feel they can prove that none of us should be allowed decisions — that we should all be protected from ourselves.

Students for Choice believes individuals are intelligent and sensitive enough (and certainly the most appropriate people) to make these highly personal decisions for themselves.

Melanie S. Williams UNO Students for Choice

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Sports

Jackrabbits squash UNO's tournament hopes

Season ends for Mavs in tourney

By MARK GREGORY

SIOUX FALLS, S.D. - Friday afternoon, UNO was forced to swallow a bitter pill.

The Mavericks' hopes for the North Central Conference (NCC) Tournament championship and a bid in the NCAA Division II Tournament were shattered.

In the semifinal round, the No. 2-seeded South Dakota State University (SDSU) Jackrabbits survived two missed UNO shots in the final seconds of regulation, and outscored the Mays 6-4 in overtime to move into the finals Saturday with a 67-65 win.

The loss put the 17-13 Mavericks into the consolation game with NCC regular-season champion North Dakota (UND) Saturday. The Fighting Sioux, ranked No. 1 in NCAA Division II with a 27-3 record, ended UNO's season by taking a 76-67 decision.

The Jackrabbits, 23-7, won the post-season title and the automatic bid in the NCAA Division II Tournament by defeating state-rival South Dakota 61-47 in the championship game

UNO, the tournament's No. 6 seed, trailed 28-22 at halftime against SDSU, but pulled ahead of the Jackrabbits in the second half. However, the Mavericks couldn't deliver the knock-out punch.

"We had the opportunites to win," UNO Coach Bob Hanson said after the game. "We just didn't get the job done. I've really got an empty feeling right now."

A quick glance at the stat sheet showed UNO outshot SDSU 44 percent (24 of 55) to 37 percent (21 of 56). The Mavericks also held the advantage in rebounds 40-31. UNO hit 16 of 19 free throws compared to the Jackrabbits' 17 of

But the Jackrabbits made the most of their score at 65 with 2:16 left, three-point field goal attempts.

From long range, SDSU connected on eight of 15 three-point shots. The Mavericks hit one of eight.

In a battle of two of the NCC's top players, SDSU's Chris White scored 23 points, compared with 21 points by UNO's Thor Palamore. White hit seven of 19 from the floor and five of five from the free throw line. Palamore sank eight of nine from the line, and connected on six of 11 from the field.

Palmore scored 12 of UNO's 16 points in a spurt that gave the Mavericks a 55-53 lead late in the second half

after trailing 43-39. Palamore increased his favor, SDSU was awarded the ball with 12 total career points scored to 1,299 against SDSU, moving him to fourth on the UNO career list.

With 15 seconds left, SDSU's Tony Matthews, who scored 16 points, tied the game at 61 when he hit one of two free throws.

Attempted shots by UNO's Thad Mott and Terry Henderson failed to fall on the ensuing trip down the court, and the Mavericks had to settle with a five-minute overtime.

Scoring 10 points and grabbing 11 rebounds, UNO's Phil Cartwright fouled out early in the extra period. The two teams then traded free throws and the score was tied at 63.

With 3:18 remaining, SDSU went ahead 65-63, but UNO's Henderson hit a shot to tie the

"We had the

— Bob Hanson

With 1:34 left, UNO gained possession of the ball after an offensive foul was called on SDSU's

White. UNO missed on the chance to grab the lead when Palamore's shot didn't go down. Matthews hit a short

jumper for SDSU with 23 seconds left to make it 67-

Then UNO's Jeremy Park fell to the floor after colliding with two SDSU players. The ball squirted loose, and two Jackrabbit players seized it.

The offical ruling was jump ball, and with the possession arrow in their

seconds showing on the clock.

A UNO foul put Matthews at the line with 10 seconds left. Matthews missed both free throw attempts, and the Mavs grabbed the rebound and headed upcourt for a final shot.

With 4.2 seconds left, UNO's Mott signaled for a time out. The May's title hopes ended when Mott's last-second shot was blocked by SDSU's Chris Counts.

In the game for third-place the next day, North Dakota made up for their 66-61 upset loss to South Dakota in semifinal round by defeating UNO 76-67.



Sports columnist



Hanson makes an admirable decision

There's an old cliche in the world of sports: Winning isn't everything.

Over the years though, some have added "it's the only thing" to that familiar phrase.

Luckily for UNO basketball players, Coach Bob Hanson doesn't think that way.

The Mays spent a somewhat disappointing weekend in Sioux Falls, S.D. for the North Central Conference (NCC) tournament. UNO lost to South Dakota State University Friday night in overtime.

And, as if a loss on Friday night wasn't bad enough, two UNO players were benched for the first half of Saturday's game against the University of North Dakota. Terry Henderson and Thor Palamore missed Friday night's curfew, and therefore, Hanson benched the two players until early in the second half.

According to the Omaha World-Herald, Hanson said, "They were about that late for our curfew, so that's how long I held them out. They knew what time they were supposed to be back. It was just something I had to do."

Well, I, for one, would like to congratulate Hanson on his decision. And, I would also like to congratulate the two players for handling the situation like adults. Palamore, who was also quoted in the World-Herald, said, "I accepted coach's decision. I didn't pout on the bench. I was still trying to be very supportive of the team."

Hanson made the only, and correct, decision he could make in that situation. There are those who would probably have said, "Well, Palamore and Henderson are our best scorers, and this is the last game of the season. Maybe I should just let them play." There were probably some people in the stands who thought these same kinds of

UNO lost the game against North Dakota 76-67. During the second half of the game, Palamore and Henderson scored 24 points combined. It 4 would be easy to speculate and say that maybe if these two players had been allowed to score the same amount of points in the first half of the game, the Mavs might have won.

But, the world doesn't work on "what ifs" and "maybes." The real world is full of discipline. Luckily for Henderson, Palamore and the rest of the players, Hanson is teaching his players something about discipline before they are sent out into the real world.

In the sports world, the word discipline is thrown about, seemingly with little thought.

I often hear people talk about how much discipline it takes to condition one's body to get it in top athletic form.

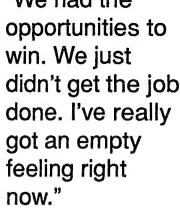
People also talk about how much discipline it takes to practice day after day and follow the diet necessary to succeed in a particular sport.

Rarely, however, is discipline talked about in the punishment sense in relation to sports. It was nice to see Hanson and the Mavs put discipline above victory on their list of priorities. Winning is nice, but it's not the real lesson to be learned from sports.

Sports can be used to teach young people many things — working as part of a team, commitment and sportsmanship.

In the real world of jobs and deadlines, lateness will not be tolerated. Luckily, Hanson also refused to tolerate it. Congratulations, again, to Hanson for mak-

ing the right decision and earning not only my respect, but probably the respect of many others who realize the importance of discipline.





By MARK GREGORY

The UNO Maverick baseball team dropped to 0-4 after losing two doubleheaders to the University of Northern Colorado (UNC) Friday and to Wayne State Sunday.

The Bears spoiled UNO's season opener by defeating UNO 14-6 and 11-3 Friday at College World Series Park.

The Mavericks jumped out to a 3-0 lead in the bottom of the first inning of game one. The Bears scored a run in the fourth, and then took a 4-3 lead by scoring three runs in the top of the fifth inning.

UNO countered in the fifth inning with three ns of its own to take a 6-4 lead.

That's when the Bears' offense exploded. The Bears scored 10 runs in the top of the seventh inning and held UNO scoreless in the bottom half of the inning to claim victory.

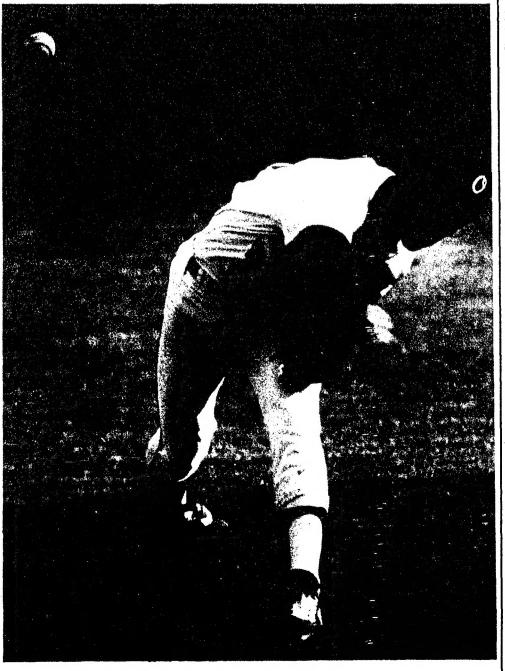
"We should have won that game," UNO Coach Bob Gates said. "Our defense fell apart. We needed to get more hits."

In the nightcap, the game was scoreless for the first three innings. The Bears cut loose for eight runs in the top of the fourth inning to take a 8-0 lead.

UNO picked up a run in the fifth, but UNC added three runs in the top of the sixth to pad their lead to 11-1. Two Mavericks crossed the plate in the bottom of the fifth for the final margin.

At Wayne State, the Mavs lost 7-1 in the first game and 11-1 in the second game.

"We didn't score because we didn't hit," Gates said. "We needed to do a better job of getting some hits. We needed to get more people on base."



- ED CARLSON

And heeeere's the pitch... UNO lost their first four games of the 1991 season. "We needed to get more hits," said UNO baseball coach Bob Gates.